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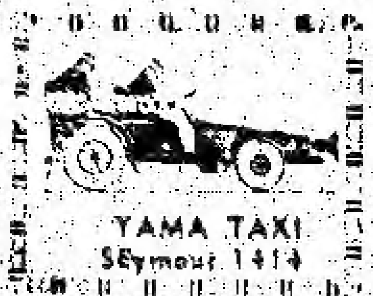

Unofficial Trade Mission To Seek First Hand Data

A keen desire to learn the true facts of economic and political conditions in Japan was expressed to The New Canadian by members of the three-man unofficial trade delegation which sailed last Thursday aboard the Heian Maru for a month's tour of Japan as guests of the Japan Foreign Trade Federation.

"It is only through a knowledge of the facts that we can gain understanding. People believe things that are not real, and because of that misunderstanding and prejudice arises," said John T. Hackett, K.C., Montreal, former M.P. and president of the Canadian Welfare Council.

An appreciation of Vancouver as the most beautiful city in the Dominion was voiced by A. H. Paradis, noted Canadian financier of Montreal. He stressed his interest in education, government and economic conditions in Japan, and felt that the Orient had the largest potential buying power, with the promise of importing and exporting increased quantities of goods.

Mayne D. Hamilton, Vancouver banker, expressed his pleasure at the opportunity to re-visit Japan. He first crossed the Pacific as a member of the Chamber of Commerce delegation which visited Japan in 1930.

Also sailing with the party were Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs. Hackett, Mrs. Paradis and her two daughters, Claire and Louise. The latter, a very charming French Canadian miss who learnt to use chopsticks, expressed her pleasure over the invitation. "I'm so sorry that we shall miss seeing the cherry blossoms, but I'm looking forward to seeing everything else," she declared, "although I don't know how I'll manage to sit on the floor."

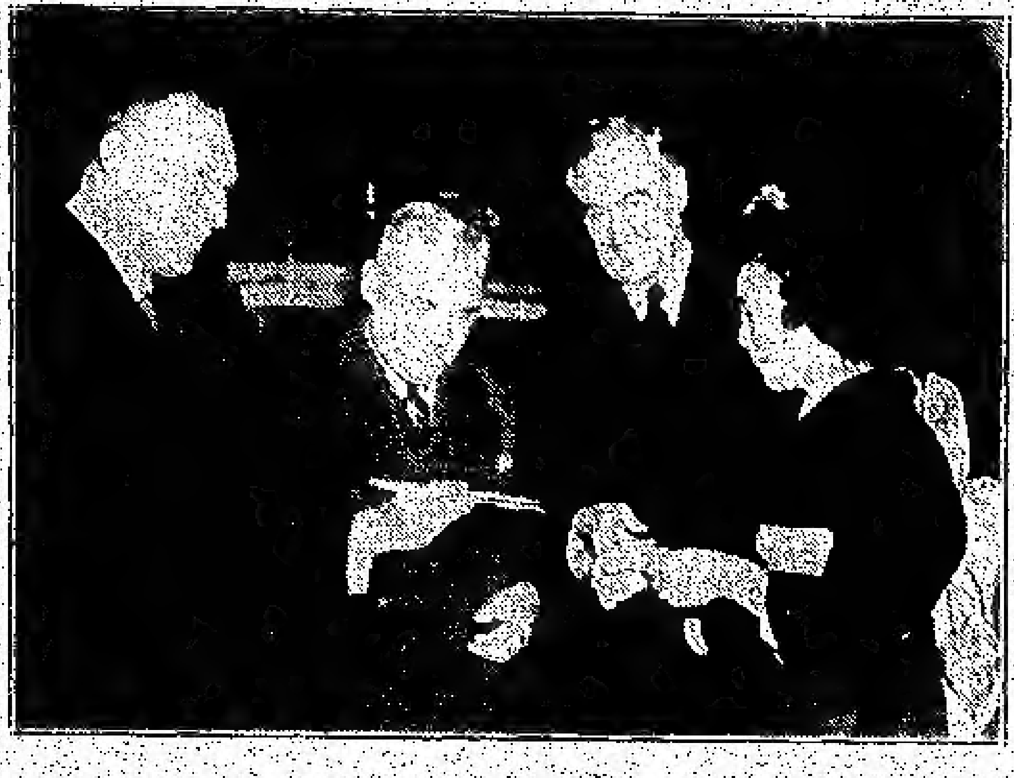

Photo by Jo Seko.

Business leaders are usually noted for their foresight and their ability to look ahead to the future. Hence it is not surprising that the three Canadian business men, who are touring Japan this summer, took advantage of an opportunity to learn the art of wielding "O-hashi," or chopsticks, at a reception given in their honour by the Hon. Kenji Nakauchi, consul for Japan, and Madame Nakauchi at their residence on The Crescent. It's an old story to Mayne D. Hamilton, former superintendent of Pacific Coast branches, Canadian Bank of Commerce (left); rapidly becoming proficient at the act is A. L. Paradis, president of the French-Canadian Chamber of Commerce, Montreal (centre); and carefully observing the technique is John T. Hackett, noted Canadian barrister of Montreal. The charming instuctess is Miss Yoshiko Momose.

On The Newsfront

Niseis Form Drama Club

Over twenty Niseis gathered at the Nippon Club last Sunday evening under the leadership of Carleton Clay, noted city elocutionist, to form a drama club for the purpose of encouraging and uncovering local Nisei talent in theatricals and play-writing.

The club is scheduled to produce one short play as a trial by the end of May, and then in the fall swing into greater activity.

Elected secretary and treasurer respectively were Aki Hyodo and Dave Arikado, and, in addition, chairmen to organize committees to handle script, props, stage, costuming and publicity.

All those who are interested are cordially invited to attend to join the club which is meeting at Carleton Clay Studios Tuesday evenings from 9.

Nippon Camera Club To Stage Exhibit

Over 200 entries which have been received from numerous local amateur photographers will be on display at the Nippon Camera Club's exhibit of local talent at the Tairiku Hall over the coming week-end, Saturday and Sunday.

Following the exhibit, the cream of the crop will be sent to Japan and be put on display there.

At present, the club is also making plans to sponsor a big contest in the fall with prizes to boot.

Nisei Baritone In Recital

Satoshi Nakamura, well-known Nisei baritone and popular radio artist, will be heard in a full recital of classical music at the Japanese Hall on Alexander St. early in June, it was announced today.

Essay Contest Rouses Widespread Interest

Widespread interest in the essay contest being sponsored by the Japan Times on the topic, "Why Canada and Japan should cultivate friendship," and open to matriculation and college students in Western Canada was reported at a recent meeting of the five judges.

It was also announced that in judging the essays due consideration would be given to different groups: (1) University students; (2) High School students; and (3) Students of Japanese parentage attending the above-mentioned institutions.

Steveston Plans New Civic Centre

Work To Start In Fall: To Cost $25,000

STEVESTON, B. C.—With every major organization in Steveston co-operating fully in the venture, it is expected that the spring of 1941 will see the completion of a magnificent hall with a seating capacity of one thousand people, to be used as a community centre, it was announced here following a meeting of citizens, Sunday, April 21, in the old community hall.

Planned to provide a huge hall and gymnasium, complete with a stage, the new building will also house the Japanese language school; offices for the Community Association (Dantai); offices for the Japanese Canadian Citizens' Association, Steveston J.C.C.L. chapter; and a large reception room. It is estimated that the structure will cost about $25,000.

The present building on No. 1 Road at Moncton will be demolished, and the new hall erected on the same site. Construction will begin November 3, 1940, and is expected to be completed by the spring.

Campaign Committee

Organizational plans concluded at Sunday's meeting included the election of a campaign committee to carry out the venture. Gonji Otsu, prominent Steveston leader, was chosen general chairman. He will be assisted by the following citizens: Chuzo Furukawa and Hiroshi Nishi, vice-chairmen; Yashujiro Nakade, treasurer; Kozo Kitagawa and Tsuguo Mineoka, finance campaign managers; Rintaro Hayashi, chairman, investigation Committee; and Ichiro Hirayama and Mamoru Nishi, committee members.

$100 Offered In Vocational Essay Contest

With the primary aim of co-operative efforts to assist the second generation in solving their employment problems, the Canadian Japanese Association, senior community organization, Saturday announced that an essay contest with $100 cash offered as the first prize.

The essay is to be written upon some possible enterprise which the essayist believes possible to put into operation with a moderate amount of capital and which will provide employment for Nisei hands.

The essay should develop the plan in full, suggesting sources of supplies and of markets, capital outlay, technical requirements and so forth.

If found practical, there is a possibility that the steps may be taken to put the plan into actual operation.

Meet A Nisei With An Oxford Accent

Oxford accents may not be rare in this very English province of British Columbia.

But to hear an impeccable Oxford accent from the lips of a young Nisei matron is a novel experience. It's a particularly interesting experience when she is as attractive and charming as Madame Hisako Kase, who arrived in the city on Monday with her three-year-old daughter Sueko, paying a brief visit to the city before sailing for Japan this week.

Wife of the Hon. Shinichi Kase, former first secretary at the Japanese Embassy in Washington and recently appointed Consul to Japan, Madame Kase was born in New York. While in London for her college education, she found an American accent definitely taboo, and soon acquired the Oxford accent which still makes it difficult for Americans to understand her at times.

Travelling with her husband in the course of his duties has carried Madame Kase practically around the world. In Moscow she found an almost overwhelming feeling of suspicion among the consular corps. It is impossible to form any friendships outside of the foreign offices because of the intricate system of espionage and the general fear of arrest.

Madame Kase also lived in Berlin for a short time. The German capital, she felt, was very much like Vancouver, especially because of the many trees.

"I've found the life of a diplomat very interesting and novel," she laughingly exclaimed, "but now with my children growing up, I'm beginning to think that it's far from ideal. Either the family is separated or the children receive their education in pieces, and smatterings of many languages but mastery of none."

Woodfibre Scene Of Teachers' Confab

"Harbour Princess" Chartered For Trip

Over one hundred Japanese language school teachers, members of the P.T.A. and their friends from Chemainus, Mission, Nanaimo, Steveston, Surrey, Vancouver and Whonock will be journeying to Howe Sound Sunday morning, May 5, to take part in the 15th annual conference of Japanese teachers at Woodfibre.

At Woodfibre, the teachers will discuss business but will also have the opportunity to tour the pulp plant.

BUSINESS

Besides routine business, the agenda of the meeting includes reports on the kengakudan or the Japan tour by teachers and students, the suggestion from Nanaimo school about the awarding of certificates of recognition to meritorious members, etc.

The "Harbour Princess" has been specially chartered for the occasion. It will be leaving Vancouver at 8 in the morning and will be returning about 8 in the evening.

The registration fee of two dollars includes the trip and meals.

All those who would like to join the party may make reservations through Mr. T. Sato, 439 Alex-

New Canadian To Publish Tuesday

The New Canadian is now published on Tuesday of each week in response to a demand from readers to supply the news of the week as soon as possible. The paper is delivered in the downtown area the same day and mailed to out-of-town points Tuesday night.

Correspondents are asked to send in write-ups of their community by Monday morning if at all possible.

If you fail to receive your paper on time, please inform us immediately.

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Meeting Our Problems

The announcement of the essay contest under the sponsorship of the Canadian Japanese Association sheds a ray of hope for the Nisei in these times of difficult economic conditions.

We cannot commend the Association too highly for its imaginative attempt to approach the important problem in a way that not only arouses the interests of the Nisei but puts the question squarely before them.

Obviously, the essay contest and its objectives are doomed to failure from the very start if the second generation do not lend their support and co-operation. For, in the last analysis, whatever the Issei may do to help the Nisei, it is up to the latter to cope directly with their own problems.

The Nisei are too prone to take for granted the various Issei and older Nisei enterprises which are doing quite splendidly, not only operating as a genuine home industry for the ultimate good of the country but employing Niseis as well.

In most cases, these enterprises had small beginnings with very little capital. It was the idea, the initiative, the courage and the determination to succeed that have made the concerns the success they are today.

In this essay contest, the Nisei will have an opportunity to put their hitherto vague and nebulous ideas concerning these selfsame problems down on paper and possibly receive financial support to put these ideas into actual practice.

Here is a challenge for the Nisei to answer the criticism of lack of initiative, enterprise and perseverance charged to them so frequently.

Trade Mission

A delegation of three Canadian business leaders sailed last week for Japan on the invitation of the Japan Foreign Trade Federation, to make a first hand study of economic and industrial conditions in Japan. Although purely an unofficial mission, this visit is significant in view of Japan's recently instituted policy of concluding trade pacts with many of the smaller powers, especially with the nations of South and Latin America.

Trans-Pacific trade, of course, has always beckoned business interests both in Canada and Japan, since each country can supply the other with products that each requires and is willing to pay for at world prices. Canada, and British Columbia in particular, has long exported considerable quantities of primary products to Japan, which country, next to Great Britain and the United States, has been the Dominion's third best customer. Since the first World War the balance of trade has always been heavily weighted in Canada's favour, and has only been partially offset by immigrant remittances and tourist expenditure. And even today the Orient still remains as the greatest potential peacetime market for Canada, whose peacetime prosperity depends upon such world markets for her export industries.

The war, of course, has thrown the complex mechanism of international trade into utter confusion, with old markets and sources of supply wiped out, and new ones created. Governmental restriction, too, has laid an increasingly heavy hand upon the normal flow of commerce, which will undoubtedly continue even after the end of the war.

As between Canada and Japan, although normal trade channels may have been choked up, others of great importance have developed out of the conditions of war. There is now an increased demand in Japan for the raw materials and primary products of Canada, owing to the diversion of normal foreign supplies to war purposes. On the other hand the Canadian market for cheap manufactured goods has undoubtedly expanded, since the normal foreign sources of supply have been shut off, while internal productive machinery is being diverted into heavier industries necessary for the conduct of the war.

The visit of an unofficial trade mission, then, will be heartily welcomed in both countries, and not merely for the economic benefits we hope to achieve, but even more important, because any gesture which will add to the understanding and mutual friendship of the Pacific powers must be regarded as a significant move in our struggle to prevent world conflagration from enveloping the nations of the Pacific area.

A Nisei Triangle

Hajime stood at the window, looking out upon the cherry tree where the last few petals drifted lazily to the littered grass.

He fingered the letter in his hand —the magic carpet that carried him against his will, out of the room, out of the city, out of himself. Just a year before he'd gone to work on a farm in that little farming community, millions of miles and aeons of time removed from the squalor and squabble of Powell Street.

He'd found a new world—a sea-girt fairyland where Nature moved one moment with grace and dignity, the next with capricious and infectious gaiety.

How like that Yoshiko had been. Even then he could not help smiling how he'd always disliked that common name, until he had met her there, the only Yoshiko for miles around. It had taken on a new meaning there in that cloistered community.

He had seen her first at a meeting of the young people at the church. And with all the supercilious arrogance of the pushing city, he'd thought of the stories of farmers' daughters.

And then, one Saturday night, bored to death with his own company, he had asked Akira, his mate, to go to the theatre with him. It was open only on Saturday nights in that small village. But Akira was a native, and had a girl friend, but he promised to make some arrangements.

A blind date. Actually that was how he met her in person. A blind theatre date. She was only twenty- . . . five years his junior . . . but she was married, and had been married for two years.

Her parents had arranged everything because she had learnt to be dutiful. And before she fully realized it, she had found herself the wife of a man twice her age. He was prosperous, but grim and silent; for he had lost his youth in the long trail that led from serfdom in Japan to prosperity in Canada.

Was it any wonder that she was starved for love and affection, for laughter and chatter and frolicking. And Hajime, erstwhile man-about-town, had been helpless before her fresh sparkle and naive charm.

He knew, and she knew that it was wrong. But that first Saturday was only the beginning—the first of many Saturday night shows, the first of many long walks into the countryside . . . all summer long, while the berries ripened and were picked, and the peppers red and black, and the tomatoes rich and [illegible].

And then the break had come and the job he'd been hoping for in the city was his. So he had hurried back, thinking of the bright lights again. Their parting had been only silent questioning.

She had written several times in the six months that followed. And he had answered. He had wanted to go back, so many times; but each time had reasoned savagely with himself and stayed where he was. And at Easter time, he hadn't answered her letter, nor the one that followed, nor the next.

He fingered the letter again. He knew it would really be the last. He faced the window, and with a rueful crooked smile that denied the pain, tore it slowly into small pieces that drifted in the breeze like petals on the grass.

Nisei Meet Social Problems In Japan

Vocational problems, language problems, problems of adjustment of a changed social code—all these meet the Nisei, when they emigrate from America or Canada to the land of their forefathers. We have considered most of these in detail, basing our analysis upon the results of the survey conducted by the Keisen Girls' School. Two remaining questions they deemed of sufficient importance to cover—marriage and religion.

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I BELIEVE . . .

Of the Nisei covered in the survey, almost 50 per cent stated that they were Christians, and 25 per cent Buddhists. In the case of the parents, however, these percentages were reversed.

Curiously enough, despite the fact that religious institutions are well established in Japan, migration to Japan apparently interfered considerably with religious worship; some 50 per cent of the men and 3 per cent of the women reported that no longer continued their religious activity in Japan.

Why this should be so, is perhaps due mostly to the lack of religious facilities to meet the particular needs of the Nisei. In this regard, however, many organizations have taken steps to meet this need, and many of the schools have religious affiliations. They thus play a valuable role in the spiritual and moral well-being of the Nisei in Japan, many of whom, being separated from parental influence, find a positive need for religious guidance. The committee urged, too, that Nisei going to Japan to study, should inquire into the religious affiliation of any school before enrolling.

Religious Belief

	Nisei	Parents
Christian	235	129
Buddhist	105	239
Shinto	1	16
Mohammedan	1	[illegible]
Undecided	6	[illegible]
None	16	8

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GENTLEMEN PREFER . . .

The average age of the Nisei in Tokyo and Yokohama is such that they are keenly interested in the question of marriage. A table indicating the marriage preferences of the Nisei is interesting.

In the case of the men, a surprisingly large percentage (33 per cent) expressed a preference for Japan-born girls as life companions. According to the questionnaire the Nisei girls are too "bossy," ask for far more than a Nisei husband can afford, and are so idealistic in their conception of an ideal husband that they do not even stop to consider their own qualifications." If this is true, however, it would seem that the basis for this more or less illogical preference is a "sour grapes" philosophy; if the men cannot measure up to the standards which the women expect, the men express a preference for girls who do not expect the same standards.

The majority of the Nisei girls, on the other hand, indicated that they favoured Nisei men as husbands, largely because they desire that the position of women should be upheld in accordance with western tradition, rather than with Japanese custom.

Whom Do You Prefer To Marry?

	Men	Women
Nisei	55	[illegible]
Japan-born	58	26
Japan-educated Nisei	38	[illegible]
Caucasian		1
No preference	15	12
Already Married	2	[illegible]

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Which Country Do You Prefer as a Future Home?

	Men	Women
United States	55	[illegible]
Japan	75	85
Hawaii	12	28
Canada	2	[illegible]
China	4	[illegible]
Others	2	[illegible]
Either (Japan or home)	11	17

A final statistical table is of interest in indicating the Nisei preference for future homes. From the fact that 50 per cent indicated that they wished to make their homes elsewhere than in Japan, one might draw the conclusion that many do not like conditions as they find them in Japan. On the other hand, an equal percentage declared that they preferred to make their homes in Japan. From this it would seem that the problem of adjustment, although difficult, is far from impossible or improbable. In the concluding article of this series, some of the important factors which make for successful achievement in Japan by the Nisei will be considered.

Decay Of European Civilization

It is high time to put aside any hopeful illusions. The civilization of modern Europe, like many great civilizations before it, is in an unmistakable process of deterioration and decay, symbolized in an ever growing cult of violence in international and internal disputes, a violence that becomes increasingly unmotivated. Far from arresting this trend, the present war can only greatly accelerate it. Nothing brings a democratic country to dictatorial conditions so swiftly as a state of war. Censorship, suspension of normal freedom of discussion, installation of industrial and financial controls very similar to those of the totalitarian state—these things are much easier to introduce and to perfect than they are to withdraw.—William Henry Chamberl in In "Forum and Century"

$100 CASH FOR A GOOD IDEA

You Can Win $100 and Assist the Nisei Solve Their Job Problems

in this community project sponsored by the Canadian Japanese Association.

Write an essay explaining your idea of a possible business or industrial enterprise.

Here are the rules:

1. The enterprise preferably should be:
   a. Suitable for Nisels and of a permanent dature.
   b. One that will not require too large a capital outlay.
   c. One which would utilize British Columbia and Japanese products as far as possible.
   d. It must be practical.
2. The essay may be written either in Japanese or in English.
3. The essay should be in the form of an exposition or thesis, illustrated with drawings or diagrams, if necessary.
4. Address all essays to **"The Canadian Japanese Association, 339 Gore Ave., Vancouver."**
5. Contest closes June 31, 1940.
6. Judges shall include the Executive of the Association, members of the committee and representatives from the Japanese daily newspapers.
7. $100 will be awarded to the winner of the contest; and in addition he may be recommended for a position in the company if his plan be put into operation.

Memorial Service For Valiant Soldier

An atmosphere of simple dignity and solemnity pervaded the Salvation Army Citadel headquarters last Thursday, April 18 when a large crowd of Japanese and Canadians paid tribute to an eminent Christian leader, the late Commissioner Gumpei Yamamuro of the Japanese Salvation Army, whose portrait reposed amid a colourful array of flags and floral wreaths. Commissioner Yamamuro was promoted to glory on March 13.

With the Salvation Army Divisional Commander, Brigadier M. Junker officiating, the service opened with the congregation singing "Shall We Gather at the River," the citadel band supplying the music.

PAY TRIBUTE

Tribute was then paid by Mr. K. Nakauchi, Consul for Japan, by Rev. K. Nomoto representing the B. C. Japanese Church Federation and by Adjutant Margaret Stratton on behalf of the "Army" friends who knew the late Commissioner.

In his address Mr. Nakauchi touched on the Commissioner's long life-service in the cause of Christianity in Japan and his influence abroad.

"For a space of almost two generations," he said, "from 1895 when the Salvation Army was first introduced into Japan Realm, he stood as the shining symbol of great Christian character. A man of unusual calibre, he served his people in the East even as General William Booth ministered to the people in the West.

"I am particularly aware of his part in promoting international goodwill between the British Empire and Japan. I hope that deeper understanding and mutual co-operation will be advanced between these two Empires by his friends in Japan and abroad."

"ERNIE" ARIKADO

SODA JERKER

Passing Parade

"I Have A Rendezvous . . ."

On Vancouver's Main Street, just off the corner of Powell, is a modest little ice cream parlour, known familiarly to the passing parade of Nisei simply as "Ernie's."

For some reason or other, not easily explained, it has a strangely inviting atmosphere. Perhaps because of its modest appearance with its cosy cream and green appointments, perhaps the bright lights and rhythmic melody pouring forth from the "joke" box, perhaps the gay laughter and boisterous chatter of young voices . . . but personally we think it's the warm personality of the genial proprietor himself that seems to make the place so warm and inviting.

TOYOKUNI ARIKADO IS THE NAME

Around the beginning of the last war he was dubbed by fond parents, Toyokuni Arikado. "But I had nothing to do with that," he laughingly disclaims. And now to one and all he's just Ernie.

Perhaps it's because he's just Ernie that day by day most people take him for granted; and so you may wonder why we have chosen him as our hero this week. Because if anything, Ernie's life has been singularly typical of the Nisei, a second generation-born of immigrant parents.

Like hundreds of his fellow Nisei he was born in Vancouver's Little Tokyo, and went to school at Strathcona and Technical. The high point of his school career came when he was chosen to make a goodwill trip to Japan sponsored by one of the local Japanese papers.

APPRENTICESHIP IN THE SCHOOL OF LIFE

And like hundreds of his fellow Nisei he graduated into a world of depression, unemployment and prejudice where jobs were scarce and opportunity scarcer. So off he went to the Okanagan as a farm hand, a job he learnt in his early childhood from picking berries, beans, hops and so forth. Then he graduated to the position of bellhop in a hotel in Penticton and another year as a handy-man in a Kelowna hotel, seeing people as they passed by and learning of them.

The great god Job drew him back to the city again, for the final course in his apprenticeship. He found it in a shabby confectionery store in down-town Vancouver, where he learnt the ins and outs of supply and demand and the price system. And serious study at night school, when the bright lights beckoned, added the final touch. During all this time he was saving what he could, and thinking, thinking, thinking, of how he could start something on his own initiative.

BIRTH OF AN ENTERPRISE

Then, one day, on his daily rounds the milkman told him of a marvellous ice cream machine. And so an idea was brought to life. Six months of inquiry, thought and study developed the idea into a plan. Courage gave birth to an independent Nisei enterprise.

His big problem was how to finance the establishment of the ice cream parlour he planned. And so, despite the pessimism of friends and relatives, he decided to take a chance, throw his meagre savings into down payments on equipment, representing an investment of seven times more money than he actually had. Today, three years later, he looks back, and says modestly, "Oh, I just decided to take a chance."

He's proud of his place, small though it may be; in fact he regards every inch, even the worn spots on the counter stools with almost tender affection. And he has a vision of a new place that's to come . . . eing some time . . . "A big roomy palace, not a parlour, with ivory topped tables and soft plush seats, and gleaming appointments in black and silver, and six of the best-looking Nisei girls in the country in trim green uniforms with caps to attract the customers . . ."

But no matter how ritzy the place, it will carry that same warm friendly atmosphere that's part of himself, that's made his place a rendez-vous for hundreds of young people.

HERE'S THE PASSING PARADE

If you sit at his counter on a Sunday afternoon and take notes,

See "ERNIE," page 6.

Maintain Status Quo In Dutch Indies Japan Aim

Hull Speech Draws Press Attack

TOKYO.—Terming U.S. Secretary of State Cordell Hull's statement regarding the maintenance of the status quo in the Netherlands East Indies as an attempt to extend the American Monroe Doctrine to the western Pacific, the Japanese press vigourously attacked the U.S. attitude toward the problem of maintaining peace in the Pacific area.

The Hull statement, it was pointed out was in marked contrast to that of British Foreign Undersecretary Richard Butler, which said that the British Government holds similar views as the Japanese Government, which could not but be deeply concerned over any development arising from the war in Europe which might affect the status quo of the Netherlands East Indies.

The Asahi reported that the Netherlands Government, through Japanese Minister Ishii, tendered its appreciation of Japanese policy and attitude in regard to the Netherlands Indies issue.

The Japan Times declared that since Secretary of State Hull has thrown the mantle of the Monroe land, then a Japanese Monroe Doctrine over the Island of Green-Doctrine should be applied on the same principle to East Asia.

Nichi Nichi declared that though Tokyo and Washington each stressed the respect of the status quo, their stands are widely different. Just as America has its Monroe Doctrine, so has Japan its basic policy for stabilization in East Asia.

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New China Gov't Adjusts Relations With Manchoukuo

HSINGKING. — The Government of Manchoukuo will shortly send a special envoy to the Central Government of China at Nanking, charged with the dual mission of expressing the felicitations of Hsinking to Nanking on the inauguration of the new government, and to regulate relations between China and Manchoukuo.

The basic treaty will be concluded between General Abe, Japanese Ambassador and the new Central Government of China providing for the adjustment of relations between Japan and China, including China's recognition of Manchoukuo.

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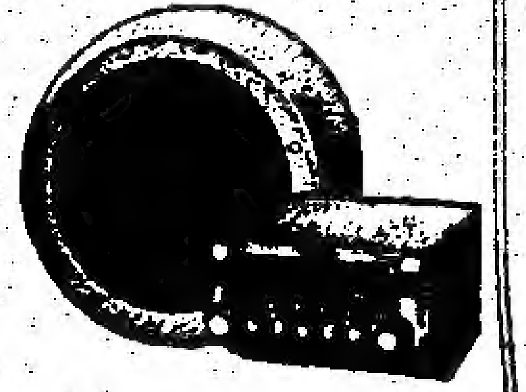

TOWN TOPICS

To wind up a most successful annual year, the Nippatsu Soccer Team, winner of the Consolation Cup donated by Dr. T. E. Smith, N.S., will hold a get-together banquet at the Fuji Chop Suey this Saturday, April 27, at 6:30 p.m.

Originality counts these days, and the Powell YPS have certainly shown their originality by picking the most original spot in town to hold their de luxe skating party—The Ritz, 44th at Fraser. An extra-long session, too, for only 35c—7:30-11:00 p.m.

Notice, all AYPA members!

Election of officers for the coming term will be held at the Third Avenue Church, Thursday, May 2, at 8 o'clock. Please turn out!

Mrs. B. Miyake was hostess to the regular meeting of the Matrons' Club last Thursday, April 18. The afternoon was spent in knitting.

Among those sailing for Japan aboard the Hikawa Maru April 24, are Mrs. B. Uyeda and son Yutaka. They will be absent from the city for three months.

Members of the Alumni Association desiring to attend the annual Japanese Student Club graduation banquet Saturday night are asked to make reservations with Dr. E. C. Banno.

IN MEMORIAM

An abundance of beautiful wreaths from the many bereaved friends and organizations banked the altar of the Hompa Buddhist Temple last Sunday for the memorial service of George Nagura, well known Nisei who died in Japan last fall during a visit to the Orient. Mr. Nagura was actively connected with many organizations, notably the Gakuyukai, Shiseikai, the Hompa Seinenkai and the Sunday School.

Speeches of praise and condolence were given by Bishop Aoki, the Fujinkai, and representatives of different societies.

AYPA SPONSORS ESSAY CONTEST

In order to stimulate interest of its members in questions relating to the Nisei, the Seikokai AYPA is sponsoring an essay contest open to its members on some aspects of the problems confronting the Nisei in Canada in the form of a story or a play.

The length of the essay should be about 600 to 800 words and be handed in to Miss Nora Forrest not later than Saturday, May 11.

The best essay will be awarded a prize and will printed in the May issue of the AYPA "Echoes."

Steveston News

CORRECTION

There was an error made inadvertently in the April 12th issue of The New Canadian.

Miss Haruko Nishimura has been engaged to Mr. Wataru Nakatsu and not to the person reported.

Further Engagements

Miss Ayako Shiozaki to Mr. Masanobu Haraguchi; and Miss Tamiko Okamoto to Mr. Eichi Katai, both of Steveston.

Wedding Bells

A pretty wedding was solemnized at the local Buddhist Temple when Miss Miyako Yesaki became the bride of Mr. Kunji Kuramoto Monday, April 22. The reception followed at the Fuji.

YPS Meeting

A general meeting of the Steveston YPS was held Sunday, April 21 at 7:30. Reports of the Provincial Youth Congress were given by delegate members.

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CALENDAR

APRIL

25—Powell Y.P.S. Roller Party, Ritz, 41st and Fraser, 7:30 to 11:00 p.m., 35c.
26—New Westminster Taiiku Concert.
26—Iuiji Ski Club General and Social Meeting, Henri's, 7 p.m. sharp.
26—Pro-Rec Display, Forum, 8:00 p.m., 25c.
27—Powell United Concert, Japanese Hall, 35c, 8.00 p.m.
27—Nippatsu Soccer Team Banquet, Fuji, 6:30 p.m.
28—Nippon Camera Club Exhibition, Fairisu Hall.
28—Kitsilano Koyukai General Meeting, Kitsilano School, 2:00 p.m.

Varied Program At W.M.S. Concert

The curtain will ring up at the Japanese School Hall this Saturday, April 27, on one of the biggest concerts in recent years to be sponsored by the Women's Missionary Society and the Ladies' Aid of the Powell United Church.

Lending their talents to the varied programme will be a nine-piece orchestra from the Henderson Sunday School conducted by W. C. Rutherford, and several assisting artists in a varied program of music and dance.

Bringing the evening's program to a fitting climax will be "First Class Matter," prize-winning play of the Powell YPS.

Lights will be lowered at 8:00 p.m. sharp. Tickets at 35c each are now on sale at Ernie's and The New Canadian Office.

The carefully selected programme includes: Greetings, Mr. T. Shimo-Takahara; Piano solo, Mary Hamasaki; Tap dance, Asako and Yuriko Ikeda; Cowboy song, Bobby Ito; Selections, Henderson SS. Orchestra; Japanese dance, Emiko Nakamoto; Tenor solo, Katsushi Kumagai; Readings, Mrs. W. Graham; Scotch dances, Mary Isdale Pupils; Japanese play, "Saikun Tokuhan," Fairview United Church; Trumpet solo, Isamu Yamada; Tap dance, Asako and Yuriko Ikeda; Soprano solo, Miss Una Knipe; Concertina solo, H. Pray; Japanese dance, Emiko Nakamoto; "First Class Matter," Powell YPS.

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by Diana

LET'S TALK ABOUT THE WEATHER

This week let's begin by talking about the weather. It's a much topic of discussion whose value we often ridicule. Without the weather what would tongue-tied or conversationless people do? Then there are those who always begin with the elements to warm up to any subject— a winding-up-the-cat-and-putting-out-the-clock sort of business in preparation for long contentment.

Wasn't it Mark Twain who said: "The weather is something that we all like to talk about, but something that none of us seem able to do anything about," a quotation that has often used in reference to women?

Everybody likes to put in his or her share about the weather. Even children. I remember the days when we used to recite to and from school, "Red sky at night—sailor's delight; red sky in the morning—sailors take warning," or words to that effect. And the day before a picnic or a hike, we kept our fingers crossed, watched and prayed for a beautiful sunset, scrutinized the leaves on all the trees and the delicate wisp of smoke from the neighbor's chimney to see which way the wind was blowing. Not a thing that would give us the slightest sign of good weather or bad ever escaped our eagle eyes. Then we were prepared for the best or the worst thanks to the signs about us.

Wonder what we'd do without signs. Signs are everywhere all the time. They tell you where you are and where to go. A busy cashier is a sign of very good business; resounding applause spells success. And when I hear "Ayako" shouted in a certain tone of voice that's a sign of "oh, oh, now what did I do?" The only time I'm ever called by my Japanese name is when I've committed some error.

SUMMER IS A-CUMEN-IN

Back in the middle of cold January we had all the signs of approaching spring. When we were still shivering wrapped up in furs and mufflers, shop windows taunted us with displays of gay spring suits and straw bonnets—just a hint that spring was almost with us. And now that we have finally been convinced that spring is actually here, we have all the signs that summer is coming. Why can't we "make hay while the sun shines," instead of perpetually preparing for the next season. But that's the way it is.

Summer is coming in. I know because right now my brother is busy nailing up the screen door. That's a sure sign of hot days and pesky insects—flies and earwigs and moths, big fat ones and tiny silvery ones. Screen doors aren't always effective though. Insects seem to have been born with the knack of finding the tiniest hole in the most obscure corner of an otherwise perfect screen. All of which means more preparations for summer.

I spent a whole day gathering together all the woollen clothes, throwing out the threadbare ones and preparing the rest for safekeeping till next winter. There's nothing so irritatingly monotonous than scrubbing a huge pile of clothes—it seems such a waste of time to scrub away with nothing to think about except what to cook for dinner. Here was the perfect opportunity to learn those poems that I've always wanted to but never had the time.

I propped up a volume of verse before me, and to the rhyme of Swinburne and Browning the clothes swished in and out of the soapy water. They were done in no time. I do the same while washing dishes now. It makes it more bearable.

Yes, summer is coming. There'll be days of picnics and hikes, swimming and boating, long walks in the warm evenings, and best of all we can go around coatless and stockingless feeling as comfy and as free as the wind.

I came across an article by one Damon Runyon:

"We deem bare legs extremely unsightly and we say this with no thought of giving offence to those ladies who like to go around bare-legged in the summer. However, we think we ought to tell them that a pair of nice stockings enhance the beauty of the shapeliest legs and help the unshapely ones, too.

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School Slants...

BRITANNIA BULLETIN

[illegible] Nisei boys of Britannia [illegible] inclined than the [illegible] was [illegible] revealed by the [illegible] at the recent mixer. Cov- [illegible] the [illegible] were a goodly [illegible] males, but, alas, only two feminine creatures. Our dashing [illegible] Jack, Hank and Roy bold- [illegible] contended for terpsichorean fav- [illegible] fair-haired and obliging Dol- [illegible] the evening long.

Around the Sports Circuit

Britannia students, although be- [illegible] frowned upon by Ol' Man [illegible], are none the less alive to the lure of sport. For outdoor sport is all-powerful.

Girls' Inter-House basketball fin- ally ended last week with House 4 triumphant again. Among the House [illegible], **Mariko Susuriata, Elizabeth [illegible]aisuzara** and **Mollie Iwasaki** tossed the casaba around during the whole season.

This year's Inter-House track meet coming on May 1st is sig- nificant. Here we intend to bring to light some dormant Nisei track and field material, which could boost Britannia hopes in the later Inter-High meet. **Mollie Iwasaki** could well inspire other Niseiettes in the cinder game, and broad jumper **Spike Kato** would be well supported if he called a halt to his current hold-out. (The Rebel!)

Then our Inter-High ball team appears to have a fair degree of success in store for it. Last year's team had only two Niseis on it, and ended up rather shakily; but this year there are seven Niseis. So far Frank Takaesu, Harold Ma- tsubayashi, G. Timoto, George and Roy Oshiro and Jin and M. Sugi- yama have turned out to early practices.

Inter-House softball started last week and noon-hour games are now being played. That the Nisei are playing a growing part in school activities is shown by the fact that last year's softball team held no Niseis. This year, on the other hand, there are five—**Frank Takaesu**, the **Sugiyama** brothers and the two **Oshiro** brothers.

Talking about softball, it's worthy of note that twelve players on the New Pier entry in the Japanese Soft- ball League are Britannia boys. With that in mind, probably the Britannia boys hope to field next year an entry in the selfsame league under the Britannia High. (Why not an Inter-High Nisei softball loop?—Ed.)

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TECHNICAL TATTLES

Station T-E-C-H . . . Calling all the grade 8 and 9 co-eds who care to associate with the "Technocrats" this coming autumn. For your re- ception this fall the "Girls Tech" is being rushed to completion. 300 is the entry limit. So pull up your stockings and sign up now.

This Inter-House track meet on April 25 calls all Niseis to do their bit for the Green and Gold. Then off to the Inter-High meet on May 23. If we don't get the cup then, wait until next year, when our Amazon sisters support us. Then by golly, John Oliver, here we come!

I'm getting my copy of "Van Tech!" Are you?

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KITSILANO KAPERS

The latest paper drive came to an end Monday after an intensive two-week campaign. The papers which totalled up to over 50 tons will be sold to provide much-needed school funds.

The Kitsilano Inter-House Track Meet is scheduled May 3. Elimina- tions are in progress. Three Niseis whom we noticed were successful in hurdling the eliminations were Isao Kadonaga, Minoru Hagino, Ha- chiro Yagi. (Is that all? Where are the rest?—Editor.)

One of our illustrious lads, Nori Nishio, again gained distinc- tion by winning second prize in the recent poster contest spon- sored by the Greater Vancouver

Plans for another annual school picnic are in progress. As far as is revealed, the place will be Sechelt and the date around June 1st. Fun? Ask the 600 who went last year.

Health League in the city schools.

The school will be hosts to par- ents and friends when on Wednes- day it again opens the door to Open- House Day. Schedules have been re- vised to give visitors an inkling of what the various clubs are doing. It would be excellent if more Japanese parents could be persuaded to ob- serve more of what their children do in school.

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United Church S.S. Teachers To Meet

Over fifty teachers from differ- ent parts of the province are ex- pected at the annual Sunday School Teachers' Conference of B. C. Japanese United Churches which will take place Saturday, May 4, at the Fairview Japanese Kindergarten School, corner of 6th and Columbia.

DISCUSSION GROUPS

Under the general chairman- ship of Rev. K. Shimizu, the con- ference will take up the topic, "How to Prepare and Teach Les- sons," in four separate groups: the primary, junior, intermediate and senior under the respective chairmanship of Misses Myea Okamura, Amy Yamazaki, Flor- ence Bird and Margaret McDuf- fee.

Main speaker will be Rev. K. Nomoto, pastor of the Steveston United Church, while Mr. A. Yo- shida, Fairview P.T.A. president, will give a short talk and Mr. H. Nakatakiya, Fairview Sunday school superintendent, will make a welcome address. The evening will open with a devotional period and close with a social and get- together.

"Your Hit Parade"

Exactly five years ago last Satur- day, April 20, 1935, the first "Hit Parade" program was broadcast. Since then week after week, except once when the cast was on route to Hollywood and a substitute program was featured, the parade of songs has taken place, attracting more and more interest until now its follow- ers number well into the millions.

It's a worthy tune that's in first place on this anniversary date. For four consecutive weeks, high above the others, is this top- ranking tune that is every bit as starry as its suggestive title, "When You Wish Upon a Star."

Ten, eight, five and now number two—that is the story of the slow- starting but subsequent swift rise to popularity of this tuneful bit, "With the Wind and the Rain in Your Hair."

There are some lovely melodies that never make first place. People never go wild about them, but, on the other hand, they rarely get tired of listening to them. Such a song is "On the Isle of May." Agreed?

Songs of the Week

1. When You Wish upon a Star.
2. With the Wind and the Rain in Your Hair.
3. On the Isle of May.
4. Woodpecker's Song.
5. Let There Be Love.
6. In an Old Dutch Garden.
7. How High the Moon (?).
8. I've Got My Eyes on You.
9. The Singing Hills.
10. So Far So Good.

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Nimble Fingers In Action

Red Cross Unit's Work Progressing

By M. H.

"Keep organized!" This is the message conveyed to the mem- bers of the Japanese Canadian Red Cross Unit by Mrs. M. Mai- kawa who recently attended the meeting of the Unit convenors at the home of Mrs. Austin Taylor.

WORK PROGRESSING

Girls puzzled over "pneumo- nia jackets" and worried over pillow slips fo ,dnut 123456 434 pillow slips, found that as they went along, things were not as difficult as they had anticipat- ed. Already some of them have reached the "Kitchener toe," the most important part of the knit- ted sock.

At a recent executive meeting, Yoshiko Kobayashi was appoint- ed to assist Ilsa Kato as official cutter. It was also decided to have the garments inspected three times before sending them to headquarters, by the convenors, Work Committee and finally by the President.

We are very grateful to Mrs. Hayakawa of Wilson Creek, B.C. for her generous donation of five dollars to our Unit. Dona- tions are much appreciated as they greatly further the work.

The next meeting of the Hast- ings Group 3 of the Society will gather at the home of Mrs. E. Ki- tagawa, Thursday, May 2, at 8 p.m.

BASEBALL BLEACHERITES TO JUMP AND JIVE

Did you ever feel hard up and wished that somebody would help you? And do you remember that certain feeling when some- body actually did? Now it's your turn to be the friend in need by supporting the Base- ball Jaboree, sponsored by the Japanese Baseball League. The date is Saturday, May 4; the place, The Orange Hall on Gore Avenue. Tickets are now sell- ing at 50c for men and 25c for ladies. Dancing from 8.30 sharp to midnight.

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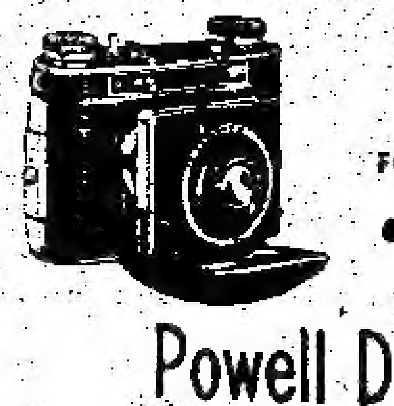
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CAPITAL CITY CHATTER

By Ioni Gossippe

To Kozo Saito, confined to St. Joseph's Hospital after having suffered a dislocated shoulder while working up at Sooke, we wish a speedy recovery.

Katsumi Uyede and Mamoru Uyede are the latest recruits to the ever-increasing number of Victorian Nisei to go farther afield for employment. These two young fellows have gone to the Rose Harbour whaling station for the season.

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Maybe tennis is coming into its own with the Japanese community young people here. It seems that more and more are turning out for practice at the "Gorge" every Sunday. If you're interested ask **Sty** or **Toyo, they** could give you the latest dope in this department.

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We're sure that **Bob** and **Tommy**, with newly acquired means of motorized transportation at their command, will find certain up-island points much closer and Tommy especially will (we're willing to wager a price of a hamburger) find his jaunts to Chemainus much less tiring than pushing the lowly bicycle.

Jimmie and **Tamo** drove up to Duncan last week-end, presumably to do some trout-fishing but we have our doubts. Oh sure, they came home quite happy, all right but nary a sign of piscatorial doings was there in evidence.

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The next regular meeting of the Victoria Chapter of the Japanese Canadian Citizens' League will be a "surprise meeting" and is called to take place Thursday, April 25, starting at 8 o'clock sharp. An interesting and worthwhile program has been drawn up by the executive and a whole evening of "surprises" is in store for all.

So let's be seein' ya one and all—
Be on time for the first roll call
And mayhaps meet your future
beau or "moll"
The place: the good old Gogakko
Hall.

Alberni Album

By J. C. T.

At the regular meeting of the J.C.C.A. Sunday evening, at which members of the Kyowakai and the Seinenbu were present, it was decided to unite the two groups.

Owing to the slightly changed status of the JCCA a special meeting will be held on April 21 to elect another executive. This formality was made doubly necessary owing to the resignations of the president, **Roy Higaki**, who is moving with his family to Japan.

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By Chatter

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With **Sunshine Sato's** boat anchored near a snag, two other boats under the able direction of **Tom Oikawa** dragged a 100-foot steel cable sweeping the bottom of the Fraser.

The first and second attempts—failures, but the third try, it hooked. It didn't take long for the two boats to come alongside the snag, let down a shackle which got a firm hold on the snag. The cable was then handed over to the "Sampson" and its crew.

After a long while of tugging and pulling, the stout young men had their first prize snag of the year. Three cheers!

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Wedding Party

Mr. and Mrs. **S. Sasaki**, parents of Miss **Furisu Sasaki**, who was recently joined in wedlock to Mr. Henry **Arikado** of Vancouver entertained at the home, Sunday, April 14.

Censored:

A certain young lady who came home for a week-end visit from Vancouver was seen trying her hand at baseball (or pitching oranges, others would say), and boy, what a form! It made everyone stand on their toes and take notice.

Catching were two young farm-hands. (We won't say who they were). I understand they're going to take up catching in earnest now.

YOSHINO

Sukiyaki

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Langley Lyrics

By Margaret Takaoka

Donation Acknowledged

The Langley Nisei Club acknowledged a donation of two dollars by Mr. **O. Kamachi** as an appreciation of the kindness the club has shown to his wife who has given birth to a baby boy.

New Arrival

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. S. Kinoshita who are parents of a son born on April 6.

Skatefest

Are we really going to have one? Has the date been decided on? Well, folks, all that intense anxiety is over for the Langley Nisei Club held its long-awaited rollerskating party on April 10 at the Milner Hall. Only happy faces bloomed there, for skaters journeyed from Surrey, Kennedy, Mount Lehman and Mission to roll their cares away. After the skating session, refreshments were served.

George Ujiye, president of the Surrey Young Men's Association, expressed his appreciation of the enjoyable evening on behalf of the visitors, and Massey Nitta, on behalf of the hosts thanked all for their presence and kind co-operation in making the event so successful. The singing of "Auld Lang Syne" brought the party to a close.

Special thanks to Mrs. O. Shigehiro for your generous contribution of refreshments.

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Spills and Thrills . . . Of course you have a special place when you travel twenty miles, oh Kiyoshi? . . . Said one bright lassie upon her arrival at the hall, "The arrival is exciting, but when it's time to go home, oh gosh . . ." . . . Sorry to see you on the sidelines, George; we missed you greatly. . . . Remember "Come on Sweetheart"? Bang! . . . Here it is in print, Mr. Vice-Prexy: "A good time was had by all." . . . Your correspondent asked Ege a question and his reply was, "To tell the truth—" . . . Wow! If he's ever told the truth . . .

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PLAY BALL!

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Paying a whirlwind visit to Duncan and Paldi on April 13, 14 was Miss **"Chic" Akiyama.** She is now residing at Coombs, B.C.

Mike Tateishi, popular young Nisei, is now hauling logs with a stupendous three-ton V-8 truck at Cowichan Lake. Good luck, pal.

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Hoot Mon, Hoot Mon!

Our sympathies to the young Nisei who went to work on the speeder Tuesday morning looking so tired and so sleepy.

We hope that the "big one" didn't get away from the two Victorians who spent a day fishing in the Cowichan River.

That glamour boy who treated two fair Niselettes to coffee at Westwells on the evening of April 14—so debonair, so man-of-the-world-ish, he had all the girls swooning with rapture and all the boys fuming with jealousy.

And now, as Jimmy Fiddler would not Confucius say, it's Cynara to you, and, I do mean you—

"ERNIE"

(Continued from Page 3)

you'll see what he sees. There's Mariko who houseworks in Kerrisdale waiting for Atsuko from Point Grey . . . Bob just down from Woodfibre sticks his head in the door, "Seen Sam around, Ernie? . . ." Truckdriver Tad and Printer Pete and Salesman Sam have their heads together over a soda and the newest "date" . . . "Can I leave this parcel here, Ernie?" . . . that's Kazuko from the sewing school . . . the noise in the corner's the rowdy college bunch celebrating release from exams . . . Fred from Steveston and Tak from the Valley are arguing on bluejacks and Black Sovereigns . . . "Put it on the cuff, will ya Ernie"—sings out Powell Wood Willie when he leaves . . . "If Haruko comes in will you tell her we've gone home, Ernie please?" says Steno Ayako and Saleslady Eiko . . . And a buttonholed whisper, "Say Ernie, can you lend me a few till payday?" . . . "Yes, No, Sure, You Bet, Okay," beams Ernie.

He estimates that from 200 to 250 pass in and out daily, and of them he says simply: "They're all different, but they're a nice crowd—clean, decent, cheerful, honest."

AND THE PHILOSOPHER HIMSELF

He himself specializes in those qualities, qualities which have made him well-known as a sportsman who doesn't need a referee to watch over him. He sponsors basketball teams for love of the game, plays class A badminton and tennis himself, and dabbles at golf, ice-skating and roller skating. An individualist, he surprised the community by taking a lone bicycle trip up the Valley, to commune with nature in less boisterous forms than he usually sees it. For mental relaxation he presides over the "shogi" and chess board with far-sighted cunning, reads extensively, likes the movies, and watches people.

For people, human beings themselves, are the special interest of this wayside philosopher. Central bureau for keeping track of friends, chief deliverer of messages, guardian of unnumbered stray parcels, dispenser of tickets for every worthy cause, expert at taking the slack between pay-days, and the joy of gourmets and gourmands alike, Ernie is an established community institution.

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THIS PROBLEM OF COLOUR

The Solution of This Age-Old Riddle Can Come Only By Appreciation

Apart from the disturbed state of Europe today, one of the greatest problems which the Western World has never solved is what seems to be termed the colour problem.

Although it fills less space in the Press Oracles of the Western powers than half a score of other problems, it is one which will be impossible to defer much longer.

When peace is eventually proclaimed, and nations start thinking more seriously, this problem will claim a place in the curricula of Western schools and in the syllabuses of all Western colleges. A sound knowledge of racial qualities is essential to sound citizenship of future civilization of the world, and it has got to come.

The nineteenth century was the white man's century. There was nothing of importance in the world that was not dependent on or partly dependent on the white man's power, or the white man's culture.

The twentieth century has seen the star of the coloured races rising. Yellow men, brown men, chocolate men and even black men have lifted up their heads.

COLOUR PREJUDICE UNJUST

The old prejudice against the coloured people of the world has been singularly unjust. Among the white men it has been partly occasioned by the uneasy feeling consequent on the exploitation of the world. It has been a mixture of fear and ignorant scorn.

Colour is not even skin deep, and after all, in spite of climatic influences on the colour of peoples, there is only one race, and that is the great human race. Behind colour there is the same anatomy, the same mentality as far as structural laws are concerned and an identical moral sense. The appreciation of the coloured man and his great powers and his glorious civilization is our much neglected duty.

RACE CONSCIOUSNESS

Race consciousness is not a silly rebellion against white authority. It is the recognition by long-silent tribes and nations that they are also men, and that their contribution is essential to world peace and to world happiness.

Perhaps no happier illustration of this elementary fact can be found than one that occurs in a recent book that I read. The writer was, he says, "standing on the touch-line of the football field of a certain college in Beirut.

"In the college were 900 boys from all the nations. I talked with the Sports Captain about the magnificent game that surged up and down the field. 'What special difficulty did you have in training a team like this?' 'A real hard nut to crack,' he said. 'These men come from countries where the whole idea of team is unknown. Each at the beginning of his training wants to dribble the ball right through and score a goal for his own glory and honour. I won the battle not only for the boy as a member of the team, but for his whole life job when I taught him to pass.'

"I looked and saw the simple miracle that had been performed. There was the Armenian fullback passing to a Turk who sent the ball out to the forward wing, the Greek, and to the Persian who centred to the negro captain, who amid a roar of cheers from the college scored a brilliant goal."

This makes as pretty a story as can be told, and sets sports in a great place as a humanizing factor.

RACIAL TEAM WORK

If selfish racialness could be sublimated by such team work, in the great match with disease and ignorance and superstition, there would be a far better day at hand. Of course, the problem must be to secure and popularize an objective large enough to gain the unselfish enthusiasm of the whole of the human race.

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Libel Suit Looms In L. A. Alias Case

LOS ANGELES.—The Rafu Shimpo said last week that possible libel suits loomed against seven Nisei, arrested in a Los Angeles police raid of a dice game, for alleged "wilful falsification of names."

Fingerprints of the suspects were being checked to ascertain the true identity of those arrested, it was said.

The Rafu Shimpo said its interest was aroused when one of the suspects gave his name as "Togo" Tanaka, English editor."

Names of other well-known local Nisei were given by the suspects, it was stated.

Investigation revealed that the deception had occurred in the cases of previous arrests with the names of JACL leaders and other prominent Nisei being used by those arrested.

JCCL Rally Beats Giants In Fraser V. League Opener

By Tsuguo Suzuki

NEW WESTMINSTER.—Taiiku Giants lost a thrilling 8-4 game to the Riverside JCCL nine in the Fraser Valley League opener, Sunday, April 21. Though outhit 7 to 3, the Riverside boys cashed in on the Giants' errors and the wildness of their pitchers. The game was a thrilling nip-and-tuck battle from the first inning, and took one overtime inning to decide the winner.

Tied at 2-all in the 4th, the Giants forged ahead on singles by Ota and Ikegami and two Riverside errors, to take a 4-2 lead at the beginning of the 7th. They strove desperately to hold the lead, but Riverside squared the game, and then jumped ahead, as they scored 4 runs on 5 walks and an error combined with Tom Oikawa's neat sacrifice hit.

Ikegami led the Giants slugging with a triple and a single, while Hikida paced the JCCL squad with a double and a single. Snappy fielding by Ikegami and Ota for Giants and Hikida for JCCL highlighted the battle.

Riverside: Matsumura 3b, Kanai 2b, Oikawa c, lf, Hikida ss, Nishii c, p, Sasaki lf, Takenaka 1b, Sato rf, Tamaki p, lf, Nishii cf.

Taiiku Giants: R. Matsuda ss, Ota 3b, Nishijima c, M. Matsuda p, S. Akazawa rf, Hasebe 1b, Oda lf, Ikegami cf, Takeda 2b, Y. Akazawa p, ss, Seki p.

Hits: Riverside 3, Giants 7; Struck-out, by Tamaki 6, Nishi 4; by Matsuda 8, Seki 1, Akazawa 2.

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Bussei Baseball

Three-Hit Pitching Wins For Hompa

Behind the three-hit pitching of Kiyoshi Misumi, Hompa eked out a close 5-4 victory over Kitsilano to chalk up their second win in as many starts in the Bussei Baseball League. Handcuffed by the slants of Misumi on the mound for the defending champions, the Kitsilano nine was down three runs going into the seventh and last inning, when they staged a rally that just failed to tie the game.

Hompa opened the scoring in the first inning when they took advantage of two costly Kitsilano errors to put a run across the plate. Kitsilano came back strong in the second inning to go one up on a booming homer by K. Yoshida and a single by H. Nishizaki that scored T. Maeda who had previously drawn a base on balls. However, the Hompa squad promptly tied the game up in the third inning on a homer by Nick Nosuye, the first of his two homers during the game.

The champions then drew ahead in the fourth inning when Kiyoshi Suga singled, stole second and third and scored on an infield hit. Hompa put the game on ice in the next inning, when Nosuye powered out his second homer to score Bae Misumi who had previously singled.

Kitsilano's last inning rally failed to catch the defending titlists, as their batsmen failed to solve the slants of Misumi. Hompa landed on Yamada, on the mound for Kitsilano, for eight hits.

Heavy hitters for Hompa were Nick Nosuye with two homers and a single out of four trips to the plate, and Bae Misumi and Kiyoshi Suga with two singles each.

Valley Niseis In Inter-School Meet

By Robert Oikawa

Widening the scope of their annual Sports Day this year, the Ijikai of the Whonock Japanese language school are sponsoring the first Inter-School Track Meet of the Fraser Valley Japanese language schools which will henceforth be an annual event.

Contestants from Hammond, Haney, Mission, Pitt Meadows and Whonock will battle for the challenge cup which has been specially donated by the Union Fish Company Ltd.

The Ijikai's plans have also received considerable local and Vancouver support. Among those from whom substantial donations have been acknowledged are Union Fish Co. Ltd., S. Uchida Suzuki Confectionery, Nakamura Florist, Taiyo Printing Co. Ltd., Nimi Shokai and I. Miyazaki.

VARIED PROGRAM

The program drawn up by the teacher, Mr. M. Nobeta, who will act as Master of Ceremonies, is sure to please everybody for it includes not only school contests but also peanut and candy scrambles for the kiddies, "sumo," "yomesan sagashi," horserace, obstacle race and a prize draw for those over 60 years of age. In short, contests for everyone from two years old to seventy years young.

Prizes will be awarded to the successful contestants while consolation prizes will be given to those less fortunate, assuring everyone taking part a souvenir, be he first or last.

An invitation is extended to one and all to attend and to Sunday, April 28, at the Ruskin Grounds from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Should rain interfere, the date will automatically be postponed to May 12.

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Sweet Consolation

Nippatsus Cop Sleeth Cup from Sailors

The nippy little Nippatsus were only clicking on about two cylinders Saturday afternoon at Powell Grounds, but it was all the power necessary to setback sea-faring lads from the Sailors' Home 2-0 for the coveted consolation cup put up by Dr. T. E. Sleeth, V.S.

With more than half of the first period gone, Tony Naka, speedy little left winger took one from his opposite wing mate and smashed it through the groove for the first Nippatsu counter.

In the second half, with the wind in favor of the Sailor Home eleven, Nippatsus still looked like the better team out on the field. They kept the ball down on their opponents' side, and many times, there were wild scrambles in front of the sailors' goalmouth, but their starry goalie kept blocking out the efforts of the Nipponese.

After 10 minutes of wild scrimmage Yosh Nishimura managed to get his toe on one of the rebounding balls, and smashed it through the sticks for the second Nippatsu tally. The Sailor Homes fought back vainly to regain the two goals, but always the reliable backs, "Shadow" Nakatsuka and Hideo Kondo, cleared the ball and gave their goalie, Bud Misumi a comparatively easy time.

Nippatsu: Misumi; Kondo, Nakatsuka; Nishimura (1), Wakabayashi, R. Tanaka; Yamashita, Okinobu, L. Tanaka, M. Naka, T. Naka (1).

Sailors Home: McAskel; Chamberlain, MacGregor; Gillis, MacAvenoy, Yuchym; Taylor.

Inter-City League

Kyuhins Rally To Nose Out Taikus

The first Inter-City League game held in the Royal City with the Taikus playing hosts to Kyuhins saw the visitors cop a close verdict by the score of 5-4.

The game was one of the best ever played in New Westminster. Taikus were leading 4-3 until the first of the seventh but the Kyuhins, utilizing every reserve power, drove two runs across the plate in their last time at bat to jump into the lead.

The Taikus endeavored to get back those counters, but the superb pitching of Frank Sumi aided by the wonderful support of the Kyuhin infield turned down the hosts in three straight outs to end the game.

Kyuhins showed more power at the plate, finding the range for six hits including a triple by S. Matsumoto and doubles by T. Hotta and R. Matsumoto. Min Ota led the loosers with a sparkling double.

Kyuhins: S. Matsumoto ss (1-3); S. Nasu [illegible]; R. Matsumoto [illegible]; T. Hotta [illegible]; [illegible] Kubonaga 2b [illegible] 6 hits, 5 runs.

Taikus: T. Shimohara [illegible]; Yokote ss (0-3); K. Onishi [illegible]; K. Koizumi [illegible]; S. Suki [illegible]; T. Matsumiya 1b (0-3); K. Iwasa [illegible] hits, 4 runs.

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In addition to the feature, a number of entertaining shorts will be shown through the courtesy of the Hudson's Bay Co. Admission is only 20c and 10c, so be sure to arrive early to get a good seat.

Sports Spotlight

JAPANESE BASEBALL LEAGUE

Powell Drug 11, Union Fish 10.

Giants 11, Steveston 9.

INTERCITY BASEBALL LEAGUE

Kitsilano 5, Taiiku 4.

BUSSEI BASEBALL LEAGUE

Hompa 5, Kitsilano 4.

JAPANESE SOFTBALL LEAGUE

Fairview 14, Tammy 13.

New Pier Cafe 7, Mikado 5.

GAKUYUKAI SOFTBALL LEAGUE

Chichibukai 14, Fuyokai 4.

Keiyukai 7, Taiwakai 6.

Druggists Wow Fans In Thriller, Best Champs; Giants Clip Fujis

The calibre of the Japanese Baseball League is supposed to have been improved, but Sunday's matches proved otherwise. Both games were featured with plenty of errors and boners. It wasn't the hardest hitting team that won, but the team with the best baseball strategy and least errors.

Powell Drug's second showing on the diamond proved just as luscious as the first as they outhit, outsmarted the Union Fish squad to eke out a close 11-10 call to take over the undisputed lead in the circuit. Steveston Fujis definitely settled into the league basement as they suffered a 11-9 licking from the Giants for their second straight loss.

In the Powell Drug-Union Fish opener, the druggists had one big inning that just about conceded the game to them. In the fifth frame, leading 5-4, the drug store boys found the breaks coming to them. Squeeze plays were muffed, but the too anxious defending champs made costly errors and when Kamitomo replaced Kutsukake on the mound, the boners had already cost them five runs.

RALLY CLICKS

Powell Drug was sitting pretty with a 10-4 lead in the eighth when Sandy Stein's lads put on a frenzied last two-inning rally. Bunching five hits and taking advantage of the druggists' miscues Union Fish pushed six players across the home plate to deadlock the game 10-10.

Powell Drug dugout supporters regained hope as Doc Yasui and Tad Tanaka smacked out sharp singles in the last inning. With the winning run on third, Yuki Uno, slugging Ichigun player, broke up the game as he banged out a high fly to deep center where Wakabayashi executed a perfect "banzai" allowing Yasui to score the winning run.

GIANTS OUTPLAY FUJIS

In nearly every game one bad inning comes up, and the Steveston nine found the Giant's eighth inning five-run rally a little too much. Thus far Tommy Sawayama had been pitching superb ball, but the grin began to [illegible] and he allowed three free passes, one bean-ball, a double and a single, as the Giant's went up 11-8.

In the last inning Steveston threatened when Nakatsu scored on Hoshizaki's single out to right field. Then Mori, punchy little southpaw outfilder sent the ball soaring over the sidewalks for a two bagger, advancing Hoshizaki to third. But the desperate rally ended as Sogawa smacked the ball right to shortstop Mike for the final putout of the game.

George Shishido walloped a circuit blow in the sixth frame with two on base for three runs. Tommy Ty Suga, who had yielded only 5 scattered hits until Shishido's wallop voluntarily yanked himself in favor of Frank Shiraishi.

Union Fish—Tanaka ss (2-5); Aoyama 3b (2-5); Wakabayashi [illegible] (1-5); Suzuki 2b (1-4); Maruno [illegible] (1-4); O. Yanagizawa [illegible] (2-5); [illegible]ota (0-1); Fukui rf c (2-4); [illegible] c (0-2); Kamitomo p (1-2); Kutsukake p (0-1); K. Yanagizawa [illegible] (0-0)—12 hits.

Powell Drug—D. Yasui [illegible]; Tanaka 3b (2-4); Mitsui c [illegible]; Uno ss (0-5); Suga [illegible] 1b [illegible]; Yoshinaka 1b, p (1-5); Y. Yasui [illegible] (1-3); Shimizu rf (0-3); Kozai [illegible] (0-2); Nishimura p (1-5) [illegible] hits.

Score by Innings:—

Union Fish: 3 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 6—10

Powell Drug: 0 3 1 0 1 5 0 0 1—11

Steveston: Shishido [illegible] (1-5 home run); Shoji 1b (2-5); Nakatsu [illegible] (1-4); Oike lf (1-5); Takata [illegible] (2-5); Hoshizaki rf (2-5); Shimo [illegible] 2b (1-3); Mori rf (1-2); Sogawa [illegible] (0-5); Sawayama p (2-4)—13 hits.

Giants: Shiraishi lf (1-5); Fuk[illegible] 1b (2-2); Nakamura cf (0-3); [illegible]kawa 2b (0-4); Mike ss (0-2); [illegible] rf (0-1); Kutsukake c (1-3); Kanishi 3b (1-3); Suga p (0-2); [illegible] rf (1-3); Saito 2b (0-1); Nakamura c (1-2)—7 hits.

Score by Innings:—

Steveston: 0 2 0 2 0 [illegible]

Giants: 2 0 1 3 0 0 0 [illegible]

SPORTS Sukiyaki

By SEIJI ONIZUKA

The New Canadian Sports Editor

Slazzy, was a mere piker of an adjective to describe last Saturday's fine weather. In fact the Nippatsus couldn't have had a more ideal weather for their cup match against the Sailors Home. Yes sir, it was a perfect day for any sports enthusiast. And here I was assigned to cover the soccer game.

I meandered half willingly down to the bleachers, there I inhaled some of the fresh spring air getting a workout from old Sol to blow some of the printer's ink out of my noodles and made a pretence at covering the game.

I seated myself next to a tall, friendly-looking old gent, fondly holding a silver cup in front of him. Upon inquiring after his name, I found out that he was Harold J. Witter, treasurer-secretary of the G.V.A.A. Soccer League, and that he was going to present the cup to the winners at the end of the game. As old Sol worked over him he grew more and more friendly and before I knew it we were deep in conversation.

HISTORIC MUG

"Yep," he said as he showed me the cup, "this cup was donated by Dr. T. E. Sleeth, a veterinary surgeon, way back in '25. It was originally the challenge cup for the Sunday School League, but in '35 outside clubs were admitted into the league. That year the Eckersley Hardware, now playing as South Vancouver in the V. & D. division won this cup. Then in '36 Maccabees, now Savoys, top team in the V. & D. took the championship. So you see, young fellow, there's been some mighty fine teams in this league." And so he went on and on relating the time when he saw many of the present soccer stars get their start in the G.V.A.A.

After the game, he presented the cup to Manager Shadow Nakatsuka and after congratulating the Nippatsu team on their win, came back to me and said, "A fine bunch of soccer boys, now their team name will be engraved on the cup alongside the rest, that have won that cup since 1925, and I hope they stick together and enter again next year."

Well the afternoon was well spent, and may I take this opportunity of again congratulating Nippatsus on their win, and as Mr. Witter says, I hope you repeat your wonderful performance next year.

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WISHING SPEEDY RECOVERY

We're glad indeed to hear that Rosie Okuda's injury when hit by a motorcycle on Powell Street last Monday was nothing serious. Rosie, one of the best-liked persons around the community, is a hard-working executive of the Japanese Baseball League and manager of the Giants. As a treasurer of the league he had been tentatively planning for the coming Baseball Jamboree.

We're all pulling for your speedy recovery, Rosie. We'll miss you at the "Jamboree." Come on fellas, let's make the dance a success just for Rosie's sake!

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